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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Support Branch, FID/CO

ATTENTION : [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

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THROUGH : Chief, Manufacturing Sectors Branch, D/I

FROM : [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
Manufacturing Sectors Branch, D/I

SUBJECT : FID Project No. 33574.

1. The information contained in FID Project No. 33574, Organ of the First Ministry of Machine Building, agrees in general with the information available to this branch to date on ministerial organization. However, since our information on this subject is somewhat sketchy our evaluation of your publication should not be considered definitive.

2. We feel that the functions attributed to Bureaus Nos. 1, 2, 3, 6 and 8 by your publication are probably correct. With regards to Bureau No. 5, it seems strange that plants producing machine tools and mining machinery should come under this bureau, since Bureaus Nos. 2 and 3 respectively seem to have responsibility for production of these types of machinery. We have no information available on a Bureau No. 11 and therefore cannot comment on the accuracy of your statements concerning this bureau. The information given on Bureau No. 9 is also new information and certainly a contribution to our research effort on the organization of the First Ministry of Machine Building.

3. The major gaps remaining appear to be Bureaus Nos. 4, 7 and 10 if such numbered bureaus do in fact exist and probably a further clarification of the functions of Bureau No. 5. Locomotives and rolling stock is one commodity which has not been accounted for and it is possible that one of these three unidentified bureaus has responsibility for this commodity.

4. This branch is extremely interested in obtaining a complete knowledge of the organization of the First Ministry of Machine Building. Therefore we greatly appreciate your effort to satisfy this requirement and hope you will continue to bring to our attention any new information on this subject.

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